

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 136**

January 28, 2023

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Expands the lists of exemptions from the requirements governing businesses that make automatic renewal offers or continuous service offers to consumers to include an affiliate of a business licensed by the Department of Commerce and Insurance, and a person, entity or affiliates of such providing certain service contracts. Establishes a violation of such is an unfair and deceptive act or practice under the *Consumer Protection Act of 1977*. Effective January 1, 2024.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Any increase in the number of complaints handled by the Attorney General is estimated to be not significant and can be handled by existing staff during normal work hours.
- Committing an unfair or deceptive practice under the *Consumer Protection Act of 1977* is a Class B misdemeanor offense.
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.

**IMPACT TO COMMERCE:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumption:

- Any impact to commerce or jobs in Tennessee is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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